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THURSDAY EVENING.

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TWO CENTS.

ONE STEADY PULL

Commercial Club Takes Steps For New Union Depot.

Committee Appointed to Canvass the Situation.

PLANS ARE SUBMITTED

H. V. Hinckley Shows How Depot May Be Built.

Believes That Union Pacific is Ready to Act.

Dr. J. C. McClintock was named as chairman of the Commercial club committee to investigate and determine upon the possibility of a union passenger depot for the four railroads entering Topekii, by President John E. Frost today. The other members of the committee are M. D. Henderson, W. S. Bergundthal, G. W. W. Yates, Fred W. Freeman, Frank P. MacLennan and

The Commercial club committee will se every effort within its power to induce the railroads to adopt the union depot project. The committee will hold consultations with the officers of the various roads just as soon as it is poswithle to do so.

The matter of securing the union depot will first be taken up with the local officials of the Santa Fe railway, because it is an admitted fact that i will require more influence to get the Santa Fe interested than any other road. The plans for a union depot it adopted will require the loss of from three to five minutes on through trains getting in and out of Topeka on the Santa Fe. The trains that are made up in Topeka of course would not be affected, as a minute or so lost or gained is of no great consequence.

The Union Pacific, it is said, will gladly enter a union deput. Any move that will give the Union Pacific an entrance to the south side of the river will be

The Rock Island will be in favor of The Rock Island will be in favor of the plan for the reason that the fast growing business of the road is en-croaching on the office room in the pres-ent depot building and the offices are beginning to be just a little crowded already. By transferring the local pas-senger business from their depot to the union depot a whole floor of the build-ing is gained for the increasing office work.

The Missouri Pacific would only have to go farther to secure the advantages of a good depot, and in event the Topeka branch of the road is built to a connection with the Central Branch the union depot project would be of great advantage. It would only be necessary for the Missouri Pacific to cross the Kaw river on the Rock Island bridge and build its tracks to the Central Branch connection from the north side of the river in North Topeka.

H. V. Hinckley, who prepared the plans for the proposed station, said in a letter sent with the plans:

"The plan shows proposed location for a two-story passenger station and the

a two-story passenger station and the general layout of the new elevated ter-minals necessary in connection there-with. The station would extend from with. The station would extend from Kansas avenue to Quincy street, might be on either the south or north side of First avenue and the entire block should be acquired for station purposes. The terminal company would build a new bridge over the Kansas river at Jefferson street. There would be about eight tracks at the station and these stations. tracks at the station and these would be elevated above the traffic on Kansas avenue and above the other north and south streets from Jackson to Jefferson inclusive: above the electric railway lines and above the Santa Fe freight yards. Two or more interlocking plants would be installed. The Union Pacific would save the stop at the Santa Fe crossing and would lose not to exceed to the Union station and would get rid of passenger trains in the North To-peka yard. The Rock Island St. Joe would run exactly as they do now, while their through trains would avoid running round the "Y" and back-ing in—thus saving from three to five minutes. The Missouri Pacific would simply have further to go to reach a

better station.

"The Santa Fe on its through trains would have an increased distance to travel and would have to turn on the new Y. losing probably three to five minutes on through trains but gaining the freedom of its entire main track and yards from the annoyance due to and yards from the annoyance due to stoppage of switching work for passenger trains and giving then their present passenger tracks and depot for their increasing freight business. This plan would put all the passenger trains—while on terminal tracks—entirely out of the way of street traffic. All grades could be kept below 1 per cent.

"The second plan shows observe but

to the writer's mind-less satisfactory terminals. The terminal tracks cross terminals. The terminal trucks of all streets at grade. On Kansas av from Second to Crane is a vinduct On Kansas avenurying the street railway and the rying the street railway and the main traffic of the avenue over the terminal tracks. This viaduct would have a large, covered, elevated landing con-necting, by steps, with the trains and heading into second story of depot as well. The Santa Fe, by this plan, does not entirely rid its freight yard of the

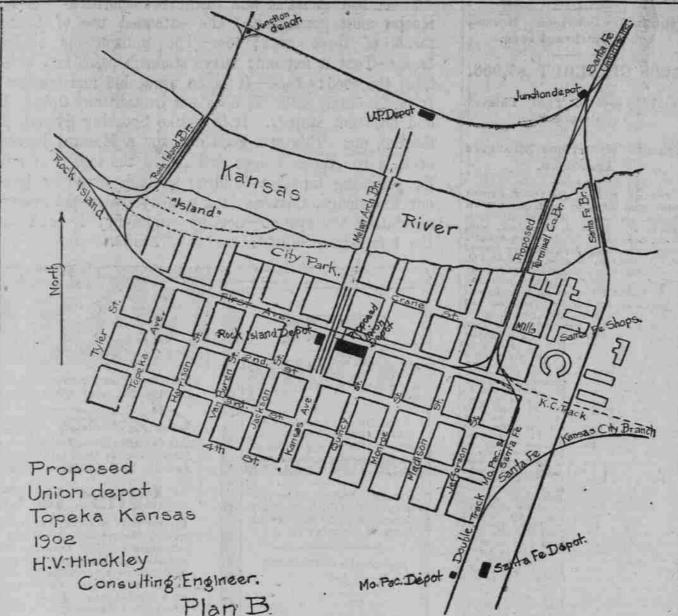
assenger train nulsance as the Kansas ity trains still cross the yard." VINEWOOD PROJECT INDORSED. Commercial club passed the ing resolutions commending the Vinewood

Ing resolutions commending the Vinewood Park railway project:

"Whereas. The Topcka and Vinewood Park Railway company has made applied from to the honorable mayor and council for an amended franchise to build, equivand operate a modern electric railway overestain streets of sails city; and.

"Whereas, it is represented that safeompany is ready to and will begin ward on the construction and equipment of the road as soon as the franchise is granted that the work of building and equipping the road will involve the expenditure of about \$100,000, much of which will be spen in Topcka for labor and material; that the road will connect the city of Topcka will Vinewood park, a tract of 405 acres which the company agrees to at once improve by building a summer theater and cafe, it lake for beating, grounds for games and general amusements, such as the city is badly in need of, and that all this will be done without the voting of bonds or any cost whatever to the unpayers and will a the same time add valuable property to the roils for assessment; therefore be it.

"Besoived That the Commercial club of the rolls for assessment; therefore be it.
"Resolved, That the Commercial club o
Topeka respectfully requests the honerable
mayor and council of the city of Topeka
to grant a franchise under such restrict



The continuous lines in the cut illiustrate the plans for the tracks on the surface. The dotted lines illustrate the arrangement for the elevated tracks. The viaduct over Kansas avenue as shown in the cut of course would not appear in event the tracks are elevated into the station.

tions as will properly protect the rights of the city and all other parties interested."

With Visduct on Kansas Ava.

PROVIDE "TOPEKA" BUTTONS.

Secretary T. J. Anderson was authorized to contract for an adequate supply of Topeka buttons to be taken to Norfolk, Va., by the delegation of Topeka engineers who will attend the national association meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers. The buttons will bear a photograph of the leader of the engineers, P. M. Arthur, and the words "Welcome. Topeka, 1904," and will be distributed in an effort to secure the next convention of that body to Topeka.

In addition to the buttons the Commercial club will get up a pamphlet of unique and attractive design filled with fine half-tone pictures of places of interest about Topeka and statistics showing the advantages of Topeka above other cities.

The book will be made as attractive as the printers' art can make it, and PROVIDE "TOPEKA" BUTTONS.

as the printers' art can make it, and will be used for distribution at conven-NEW INDUSTRIES WOULD COME

Major Anderson reported to the club
that he was in communication with
parties who wanted to establish the
following industries in Topeka;
A pressed brick plant.
Two fur and tanning companies.
New patent reduction flour mill.
A patent medicine factory to manu-A patent medicine factory to manu-

acture remedies for stock.

A ceiling and desk fan factory.

A sewing machine factory. An automobile factory.

An automatic scale factory. YEW STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM. Major Anderson read a communica-tion regarding the system of street ighting in vogue in Flint, Michigan. In hat town iron arches are placed across municipal legislation to investigate. the system of the Flint people is found to be meritorius an effort will be made to introduce the system in Topeka, "THE YOUNG MAN OF TODAY."

S. B. Clapp of the Cudahy Packing company read an excellent paper on the subject of the young man of today as compared with the young man twenty

He urged business men not to diswhere a young man was thrown out of employment just as he had acquired a family to support by the introduction of a lady clerk who would work for

Clapp urged equal pay for equal work, whether it be furnished by either man or woman. "Too many women are occupying places that should be held by men." he said. "Woman's place, unby men," he said. "Woman's place, un-der normal circumstances is in her nome and it will be a bright day for the young man when employers all come to the idea of giving preference to male

NEW MEMBERS ELECTED. The following candidates for membership in the Commercial club were unanimously elected: W. S. Kale, grocer; C. B. Reed, dentist; The Strauss Agency, real estate; M. Afron, clothler; the Kansas Long Distance Telephone and Telegraph company; Zercher & Ludlum, books and stationery; C. E. Foote, bond broker; A. G. Goodwin. Foote, bond broker; A. G. Goodwin, grain commission; John Ritchie, con-tractor; Silas Rain, county commission-er; John MacDonald, editor Western

Mexican Central Buys the Monterey. Mexico City, March 13.-Final papers relative to the purchase of the Mon-terey & Mexican Gulf railroad by the Mexican Central railway have been completed and four million dollars have been paid to the vendors. The Central gains 387 miles by this consolidation,

Temperatures of Large Cities.

Chicago, March 13.-7 a. m. tempera-tures: New York, Boston and Phila-delphia 56; Washington 58; Chicago 35; Minneapolis 30; Cincinnati and St.

Weather Indications.

Chicago, March 13—Forecast for Kan-sas: Generally fair tonight and Fri-day: warmer in west portion tonight; cooler Friday afternoon or night; southvest to west winds,

SPITEFUL.

British Cabinet Won't Let King | Crumpacker, of Indiana, Attacks Go to Ireland

Because Irish Members Cheered | Shows That Cost is Twice as Over Methuen's Defeat.

the Question.

Feared to Let Him Go.

London, March 13.-The official an-

nouncement yesterday of the abandon-

ment of the proposed visit of King Edward and Queen Alexandra to Ireland whereby the ministers assume the requite unprecedented in form and causes keen discussion, the general tone of which is distinctly averse to the action of the cabinet, which is interpreted as displaying petty spite and spleen. The suggestion sought to be conveyed, both by the announcement itself and the comment of the ministerial organs, that the decision arrived at was directly due members in the house of commons when the news of the disaster to Gen. Methuen's column was officially communica-ted to that house is declared by hostile critics to be obviously false as it was announced weeks ago that the visit would be postponed. These critics also assert that there seems good reason to believe that their majesties themselves all along desired to carry out the cor-onation visit and though they have deferred it on the advice of the ministers they have no intention of retrieving the latter from the onus of a tactless move. The Freeman's Journal voices the Nationalist views, saying: "The ministers have put a veto on the intended visit of the sovereign to a portion of his dominions. It would be difficult for his majesty to reject the veto of his concitutional advisers, but it is plain that insisted that the respuld be theirs and not his. isters could not venture to allow the king to see with his own eyes and hear with his own ears of the barbarous methods of the Castle and the deep re-

brance to the coronationists. mminent danger that his visit might have converted film to home rule, or confirmed his existing conviction. Therefore the ministers in their own

nterest and in the interest of Unionism have forbidden the visit."
The London Times today prints a letter dissenting from the suggestion that if John Redmond had been in the house of commons when some of the Irish members cheered the announcement of General Methuen's defeat and capture, he would have rebuked his followers for their outburst of captures.

their outburst of exultation. cago last autumn "in honor of the Man-chester murders" which Mr. Redmond ad-dressed and to the proceedings which were officially opened by Finerty. "the dyna-miter." After quoting the resolution pass-ed at that meeting and also referring to a speech at New York, in which Mr. Red-mond was quoted as advocating the hang-ing of Mr. Chamberlain, the writer asks: "Why should a man holding such opin-ions restrain the rejoicings of his follow-ers at a British defeat."

Replevins Croft's Outfit.

G. W. Mofflit filed a replevin suit to-day against Chief Tim Donovan and Ed Pavey for the recovery of the gamb-ling furniture taken from the house run by Harry Croft. The outfit con-sists of one crap table, one stud poker table, and two poker tables, and the entire lot is valued at \$30. Mofflit claims to have a mortgage on the tables. Chief to have a mortgage on the tables. Chief Donovan will give a redelivery bond and hold the property.

FIGHTS SUBSIDY.

Fast Mail Gratuity.

Much as Other Service.

VIEWS ARE EXPRESSED ONE ITEM IS DROPPED.

By Newspapers on Both Sides of Pending Bill Leaves Out N. Y and Washington Bonus.

Irish Version is That They Says Southern Railway Can't Afford to Withdraw Trains.

> A. P. Gorman's Credentials Presented in the Senate.

Washington, March 13 .- The house today after some routine business resuned the consideration of the postoffice appropriation bill.

It was agreed that general debate upon the bill should close in three hours. The annual discussion of the items for additional compensation for special mail facilities between Washington and New Orleans and Kansas City and a speech by Mr. Crumpacker (Indiana) in opposition to the special appropria--tions. The amount of these appropriations was reduced in the present bill from \$196,000 to \$167,000 because of the abandonment of the subsidy between New York and Washington. During the existence of the subsidy for that portion of the route (\$28,000)he said the cost of carrying the mails for that distance exclusive of the subsidy averaged \$340 per mile per annum against an average throughout the United States of only

The Southern railway which received the subsidy between Washington and New Orleans, he said, now received \$659 per mile in regular mail pay against \$35, when the subsidy was inaugurated in 1893. He contended that the road could not afford to withdraw its fast train if the subsidy was withdrawn.

IN THE SENATE.

Washington, March 13.—At the open-ing of today's session of the senate, Mr. Wellington (Md.) presented the creden-tials of Arthur Pue Gorman, elected a senator from Maryland for a term of six years beginning on March 4, 1903. They were read and filed.

Mr. Hale (Maine) presented the con-

ference report upon diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. The report was agreed to without comment.

In reporting the Hepburn bill for the construction of an isthmian canal without amendment and with a recommendation that it pass Mr. Morgan (Alasaid the report of the committee would be ready in a day or two.

BROKE INTO BANK.

Robbers Secure Between \$2,000 and \$3,000.

Joliet, Ill., March 13 .- A band of six men early today broke into the Exchange bank in Minooka, nine miles west of Joliet, wrecked the safe with dynamite and secured between \$2,000 and \$3,000 in cash. Theodore Krine, a citizen, who heard the explosions, rose from a sick bed and went to warn A. K. Knapp, president of the bank. The robbers discovered Krine on his return, assaulted him viciously and left him gagged. He was not found until nearly two hours after. The robbers took a handear on the Rock Island and went

WHITE'S FINAL JAB

Emporia Editor's Amusing Editorial Accepting Miller.

That Shoots Straight.

THEY WERE NOT THERE | HELPERS ARE NAMED

Congressman Miller's Opponents Staid Away From Convention.

New Committee Chosen But No Change Made in the Hours For Chairman Elected.

The opponents of Congressman Miller dld not go near the Fourth district congressional convention in Emporta Wednesday afternoon, They realized that they had been defeated and they accepted the situation. They left the hotel lobbles and convention hall entirely to Miller's friends.

But notwithstanding their defeat they But notwithstanding their defeat they say they are loyal Republicans and will give Miller their support in the campaign. This is what William Allen White says in an editorial published last evening in his paper, the Emporia Gazette. Before Mr. White was taken ill and compelled to go to California, the Gazette led the fight on Miller. The editorial in that paper Wednesday was outspoken in its sentiments, and it showed that Mr. White has lost nothing of his power as a writer, notwithof his power as a writer, notwith-standing his illness. The editorial was written by Mr. White away off on an island in the Pacific ocean off the coast of southern California. It was as fol-

"The action of the Republican conven-

of southern California. It was as follows:

"The action of the Republican convention of the Fourth congressional district in renominating James Monroe Miller for his third term was certainly a compliment that Miller and his friends should and do feel proud of. The nomination came after a lively fight in the district, but today there is but one mind among Fourth district Republicans, and that is that J. M. Miller should return to congress by an increased Republican majority.

"The Gazette has probably said more against the renomination of Miller than any other newspaper. It has said that he is a man of no extraordinary ability and that he is a poor hand at distributing the spoil of office. This the Gazette still believes. But this much is certain, Miller is a gentleman; he is honest; he is faithful to his allies, and above all he is a Republican. The Gazette has nothing to deny, nothing to regret in this fight that closed today-except its outcome.

"As a Republican nominee Miller is infinitely preferable to any possible nominee for congress that the opposition may bring out. For Miller will vote with the Republican caucus in congress. He will be controlled by its decision in all of his official actions, and as a member of the Republican rescues J. M. Miller will stand for Republican politics, for a Republican administration and for a Republican administration and for a Republican president. The Republican voter in this district who scratches a ticket this year is worse in politics than a Populist.

"Briefly put, the Gazette's position is this: that it is better to have a 22-calibre gun shooting straight than to have a howitzer that kicks and shoots crooked. So the Gazette until the election is for Miller for congress, first, last and all the time."

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and all the time."

A funny thing happened when the convention got around to nominate Miller. Ex-Senator G. H. Lamb. of Woodson county, had been slated to make the nominating speech and he was back in the wings of the stage in the operahouse waiting to make his speech. But when the chairman called for nominawhen the chairman called for nomination for congressman, while Lamb was pulling down his vest and giving his necktie a final adjustment, a delegate named Richey, from Wabaunsee coun-

ty, jumped up and yelled:
"I nominate J. M Miller."
Just then Senator Lamb came out on the stage. "Hold on there," he said, "You're

getting ahead of the game. I've been slated to make this nominating speech and I'm going to make it Senator Lamb made a good talk, re-ferring to the fact that he, among oth-ers, was a candidate against Miller for the nomination four years ago.

The resolutions which were prepared by Judge Buck, of Emporia, were ex-trenely long. They referred to the as-sassination of McKinley, endorsed Roosevelt, Burton, the national and state administrations, and especially Congressman Miller. This is the first congressiaonal convention which has spoken of Senator Burton in a paragraph separate from the rest of the congressional delegation.

George E. Tucker, the young editor of the Fureka Herald, called the conven-tion to order in the absence of Chair-man McElfresh, of Osage county. Tuck-er is rapidly coming to the front in Fourth district politics. He is a good presiding officer.

The new congressional committee is made up of the following:
Butler, E. C. Ellet, El Dorado, Chase, Matt McDonald, Strong City. Coffey, E. L. Traylor, Lebo, Greenwood, George E. Tucker, Eureka. Lyon, A. W. Plumb, Reading, Marion, H. O. Kyle, Marion. Osage, A. Moser, jr., Council Grove, Wabaunsee, J. M. Kemper, Maple Hill.

Pottawatomie, Z. R. Detwiler, Waego. Woodson, R. H. Trueblood, Yates The selection of the chairman of the

Miller.

committee was left to Congressman

The anti-Miller people in Lyon county say they lost the fight in that county because the other candidates had been because the other candidates had been eliminated before the Lyon county primaries were held. In one of the wards in Emporia a funny thing happened. An anti-Miller worker in the Third ward, seeing that his side would easily win in that ward, went to the First ward to work where there was a close fight. But instead of throwing away his Third ward tickets and taking some First ward tickets in their place, he gave anti-Miller voters the Third ward tickets to vote. When the votes were counted four of the Third ward tickets were found in the ballot box, and the Miller ticket won by three plurality. If it hadn't been for the erroneous tickets the "antis" would have won by one majority. And to make it won by one majority. And to make it funnier, the First ward is the high-toned ward of Emporia—the ward in which the college professors and principal business men vote.

JIM KING WINS.

Elected State Librarian Today by Supreme Court Judges.

Better to Have 22 Caliber Gun Miss Nellie Armentrout is Made His Assistant.

Miss Rose Horton and Miss Lulu Clugston Chosen.

Opening.

James L. King was today elected state librarian by the justices of the supreme court. There were a dozen or more candidates for the place. The judges refused to give out the details of the election.

Mr. King's principal opponent in the contest was Miss Nellie Armentrout, of Kansas City, Kas. Miss Armentrout will become assistant librarian in charge of the traveling library system. charge of the traveling library system.

Mr. King won in the race because of
his fitness for the place. He held the
place for four years, and is peculiarly
adapted for library work. He is acquainted with all the details of the state
library and the cataloguing and care of
books. His salary will be \$1,600. He
has appointed the following as his assistants:

Rosamond Horton of Topeka. Helen

sistants:

Rosamond Horton of Topeka, Helen Blanche Dodge of Beloit, Luiu Clugston of Topeka and Herbert Clayton of Topeka. The first two will receive a salary of \$900 a year, and the other two \$600 a year. Mr. Clayton is now an assistant, and is simply continued in his present position. Miss Dodge is the niece of S. H. Dodge, a Beloit newspaper man. She has been society editor of the Beloit Call for several months. Miss Horton is the daughter of Judge Horton.

Miss Armentrout, who will succeed Mr. King in charge of the traveling

WILL PATCH IT UP.

late in the summer, owing to the over-crowded condition of the steel and iron as freely made as at any time this manufactories of the country.

The cars which have been purchased ave 20 foot bodies instead of 16 foot Two of the cars have translarger. seats, with an aisle through the e. The other five cars have longiudinal seats.

The new rails will be laid on Kansas

avenue and on West Sixth street.

This is about the biggest job of "doctoring" which the street railway has had for some time. There is apparently no hope that the company will appropriate a sufficient sum to put the road in thoroughly good shape. That would involve issuing bonds, and the owners of the road won't listen to that sort of a proposition yet. They think that they are making more money out of their poor equipment than the per-centage of increase on an increased investment would justify. The Topeka management is not to blame. They do the best they can with what they have. President C. C. Baker was asked to-day to make a statement concerning the ondition of the street rallway, and the

proposed improvements. He said:

"The road has been paying out such large sums in paying during the past two years that we have simply been forced to abandon other improvements which we desired to make. The owners of the road have recently so arranged the financial situation that we will save a large amount of annual interest which has heretofore been eating up our earnings. The owners have also given me full authority to expend all the net revenue of the road in improving the property. I therefore expect to have considerable money every year to invest in improvements, and probably as much as we can conveniently handle
Even if we had plenty of money to
spend in improvements, it would tak
a number of years to re-equip the line
I realize as well as anyone that we need a large amount of new track, with heavier rails. We can not use much heavier cars on the existing rails. Our new rails will be good ones, and we expect to add to them from year to

year.

"If the company should issue bonds to the extent of say \$100,000 it would involve paying about \$4,500 more every year in interest. It is doubtful whether the investment would be profitable. the investment would be profitable.

"I think that the proper way for people to help us improve the city rallway is to patronize us. All that the road makes will be used in improving the property. It is nickels that we

Mr. Baker certainly knows that the way to induce people to patronize the read is to put it in first class condi-tion which no doubt he would like to do if he could.

Boundary Still Unsettled. Santiago de Chili, March 13.—It is officially announced that no direct settlement of the boundary dispute between Chili and Argentine has been arrived at, but if a proposition on the subject is made Chili will not refuse to consider it.

WILL TAKE IT.

Los Angeles Man Wires His Acceptance of a Place

In Roosevelt's Cabinet If Offered to Him.

SENATORS ASKED HIM.

Two Contingencies Attached to the Situation.

Hitchcock Must Retire and the President Be Willing.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 13.-William S. McCornick, of Los Angeles, has telegraphed to Senator Thomas Kearns, of Utah, at Washington that he will no-

graphed to Senator Thomas Kearns, of Utah, at Washington that he will accept the position of secretary of the interior in President Roosevelt's cabinet should a vacancy occur through the resignation of Secretary Hitchcock.

McCornick was asked before he left Salt Lake, March 1, if he would take the cabinet portfolio were it offered to him, but would not then make a positive reply. At that time he telegraphed to Washington that his answer would be sent from California, whither he was then bound. Soon after reaching Los Angeles Mr. McCornick received another request for an expression of his sentiment toward acceptance of the high government honor. After further deliberation he has replied that he would accept.

"All that has been done," said Mr. McCornick, "is that Senators Kearns and Millard have aske me if I would accept the place, and I answered that if the president offered it I would accept."

MILLARD CONFIRMS IT.

Washington March 12.—Senator Mil-

of the Beloit Call for several months. Miss Horton is the daughter of Judge Horton.

Miss Armentrout, who will succeed Mr. King in charge of the traveling library, will receive a salary of \$1,000 a year.

New rules have been made concerning the hours the library shall be open. From April to Noyember it will open regularly at 8 o'clock in the morning and close at 5 in the evening. The rest of the year it will not open till 8:30. The closing hours will be varied, however, when the supreme court is in session.

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Effect a Settlement.

Boston, March 13.-With the labor City Railway to Lay 2 1-2 Miles

of Track—Cars Bought.

At a meeting of the directors of the Topeka city railway, held in New York last week, President C. C. Baker was authorized to lay 2½ miles of new 85 pound rails in Topeka and to purchase seven 32 foot cars. The cars have already been shipped from St. Louis. They have been used four years. The rails will not be ready for delivery till and the seven and threats that hundredy of the cars that hundredy of the cars that all suffers and threats that hundredy of the cars that all suffers and threats that hundredy of leaders in conference with Secretary R. rails will not be ready for delivery till strikers, and threats that hundreds of late in the summer, owing to the over-

> Secretary Easley arrived here early and his conference with the labor rep-resentatives was begun at 8 o'clock. Besides the committees of sides the committees of the freight handlers, team drivers and Longshore-men's unions, James Duncan, vice presi-dent of the American Federation of La-bor; John F. O'Sullivan, fourth vice president of the International Typo-graphical union; Frank H. McCarty, president of the Massachusetts state branch of the A. F. of L and others were present at the meeting.

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> The sitting was behind closed doors and it was announced that nothing would be given out until Mr. Easley was fully in touch with the situation While the general aspect of the strike was much the same as it has been on previous days, there were some slight changes. Until late yesterday the Brine Transportation company (non-union) was doing principally all the teaming of the city, all other teamsters having been tied up by the sympathetic strike. Durtracts with large firms, they must undertake to deliver goods or give the business over to the Brine company. This led two of the union teamsters to start out with non-union drivers and today several others followed this action. As those at work yesterday met with no trouble it led to the hope that operations might be resumed in a limited degree, although it was felt that the presence of non-union men on the teams ence of non-union men on the might cause disturbance in the great

army of strikers.

The coal situation was improved considerably during the night, several firms having taken advantage of empty streets and darkness to convey coal to

MORE SPRING WEATHER.

large consumers.

Government Bureau Says It Will Soon Be Cooler. "Cider" Smith scores again. He announced pleasant weather for today. The weather bureau this morning issued the following forecast: "Generally fair tonight and Friday. Warmer west

portion tonight. Cooler Friday after-noon or tonight." The wind this morn-ing was from the southwest, blowing ing was from the southwest, blowing 10 miles an hour. The minimum temperature was 37. The hourly tempera tures, according to the government

Funston's Last Day in Chicago. Chicago, March 13.—The last day of Gen. Funston's visit in Chicago was a quiet one for the soldler. He spent some time talking to Gen. Oits and devoted the rest of the day to receiving callers and answering his mail. He will leave for Wash-